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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: CERAMIC HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME  
AND COAT MATERIAL FOR USE IN THE PRODUCTION

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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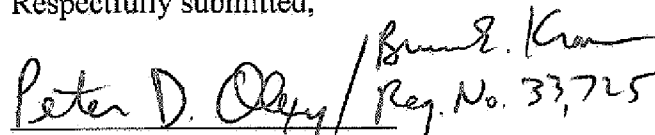
All references listed in the Partial European Search Report were listed in the IDS filed September 7, 2007.

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